

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully solicited.

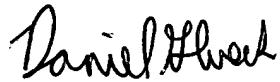
Independent Claims 8 and 9 are pending, with both having been amended to be in independent form. Rejected Claims 1 through 7, 10, and 11, the rejections of which are respectfully traversed, have been cancelled without prejudice.

Transmitted herewith are two replacement sheets of formal drawings, comprising Figs. 6 and 7 having been labeled --PRIOR ART-- as required, to be substituted for the corresponding drawing sheets presently on file. Favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Applicant submits that this application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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